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NUKKLES!
GOING UNDERGROUND!

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HEY BOOMERS!

Watch

them spin

around the FREE

STC Bike Stickers - they're

wholly hot! Time to put

the brakes on and settle

down to what's happening inside

this issue.

First off, just how old Knuckles and the Chaotix crew have been captured by the swamp creature known as Root who's trying to gain control of their minds.

Next off the black Amy and Tails find themselves stranded in space in the middle of a prison spaceship. Find out what's pulling the strings

in Day of the Puppetal

Inside the old and hot installation of The Take-over which finds Knuckles trapped inside an ancient tunnel system on the Floating Island. Can he escape the Chaos Emeralds from being stolen? You know what to do!

I think it's time STC featured another competition don't you? Well, thanks to William's Snakes, Knux lucky boomers will win a cool \$10 Prize worth £1000 each in the William's Snakes Competition.

As if all that isn't enough, Girl Trouble reminds us what Amy was Amy Rose. Find out why she was once a Billy Blazes in Sonic's world.

Remember, that your own artwork also gets the chance to shine when the Graphic Zone turns into Mega Power! See you in a hot hot night, Boomers!

megadroid

NEXT ISSUE



NEW COMPLETE TAILS STORY
BANK CORRUPT!

THRILLING CONCLUSIONS

SONIC GETS TO THE ROOT CRUISE!

KNUCKLES SHOCK COLLAR!

PLUS

PIRATES OF THE MYSTIC CRUISE!

GRAPHIC ZONE

STC 138 - on sale Wednesday, 3 September 1998



SONIC ROOTS

Script © Charles NIEL NICHOLS • Art © DAVID ROBINSON • Letters MARK W. WILLY

SONIC AND CHAOTIX HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY THE MYSTERIOUS SWAMP CREATURE KNOWN AS ROOT.

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET AWAY WITH THIS! NOBODY CAN KEEP SONIC THE HEDGEHOG CAPTIVE FOR LONG!

I DON'T INTEND TO TRY. IN A MOMENT I WILL RELEASE YOU AND YOU WILL BE MY WILLING SLAVES!





YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING!

THERE'S NO WAY ANY OF US ARE GOING TO WORK FOR YOU!



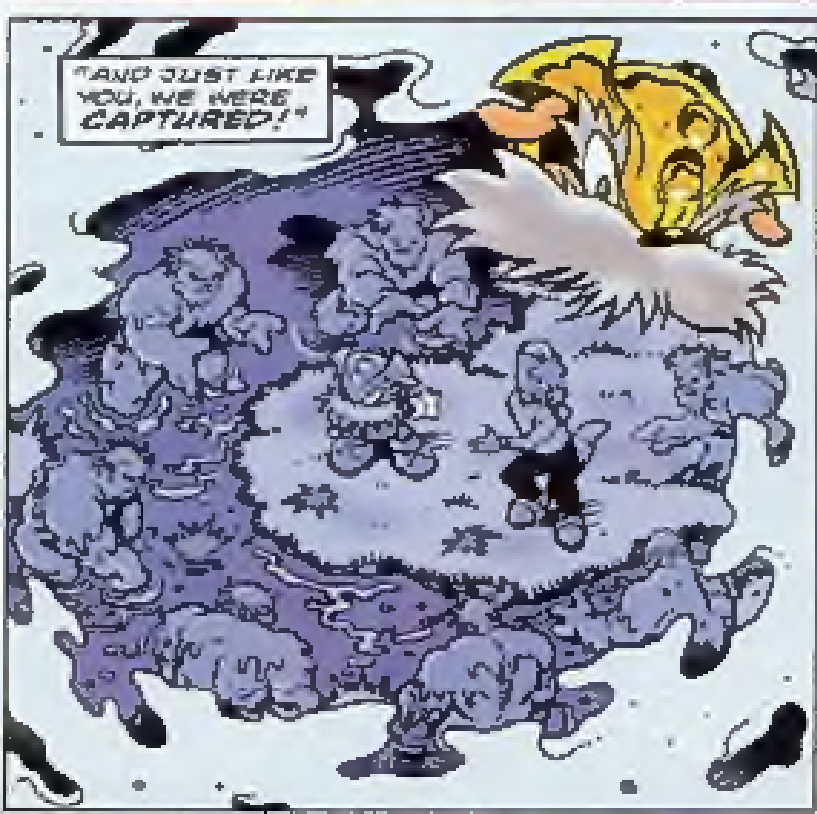
THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG, SONNY! YOU'LL BE ROOT'S DOGGYBOY... JUST LIKE ME!

DAD! WHAT HAPPENED? WHY DO YOU TAKE ORDERS FROM A CREEP LIKE HIM?



"IT WAS A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO ME AND SAM WERE SEARCHING THE SWAMP FOR THE PARTICULAR TYPE OF ROOT WE NEED!"

= THE TYPE BILL USES TO CHANGE MAX INTO A DINOSAUR - MEGAROID

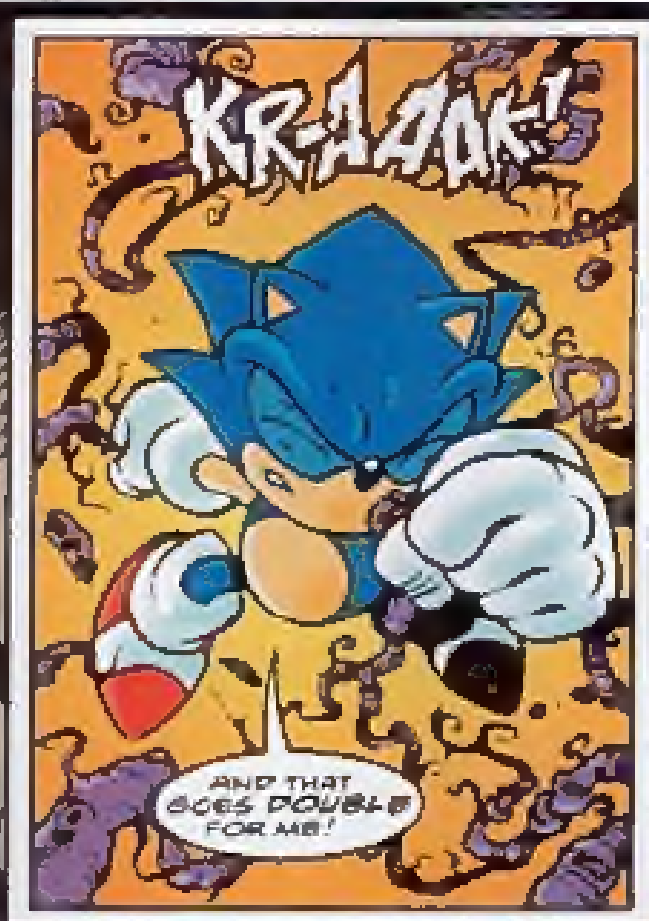


"AND JUST LIKE YOU, WE WERE CAPTURED!"



NOW I DO ANYTHING ROOT TELLS ME. HE CONTROLS MY MIND!

YEAH? WELL I FIGURE SOME MINDS ARE EASIER TO INFLUENCE THAN OTHERS!





SO SPILL IT, WHAT'S THIS 'MASTER PLAN'?

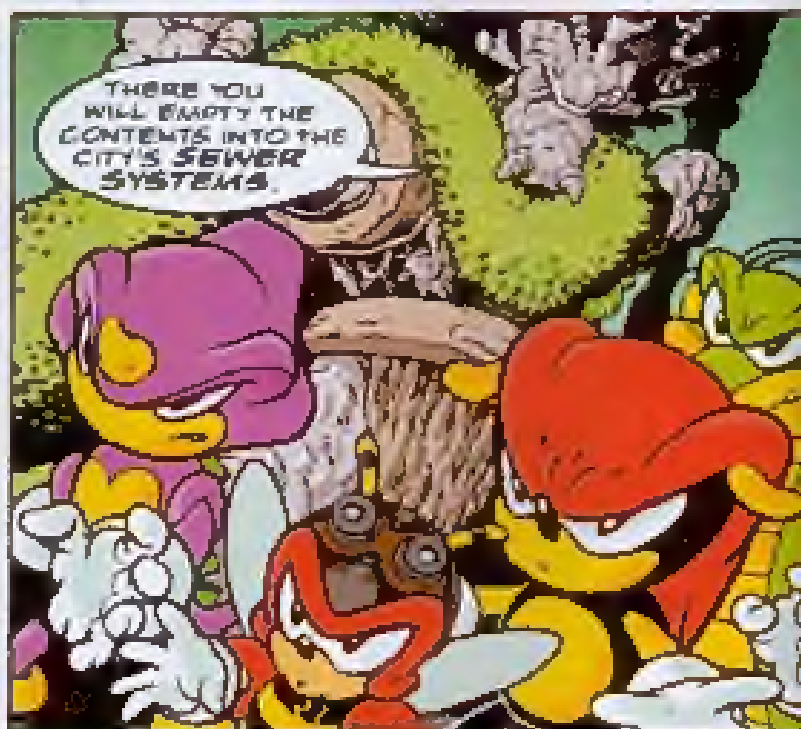
I WILL HAPPILY TELL YOU... IT WILL MAKE NO DIFFERENCE, AFTER ALL!

THIS VIAL CONTAINS A SPECIAL CHEMICAL, A CHEMICAL THAT WILL ALTER THE ENTIRE PLANET, STARTING WITH NEW TEK CITY!

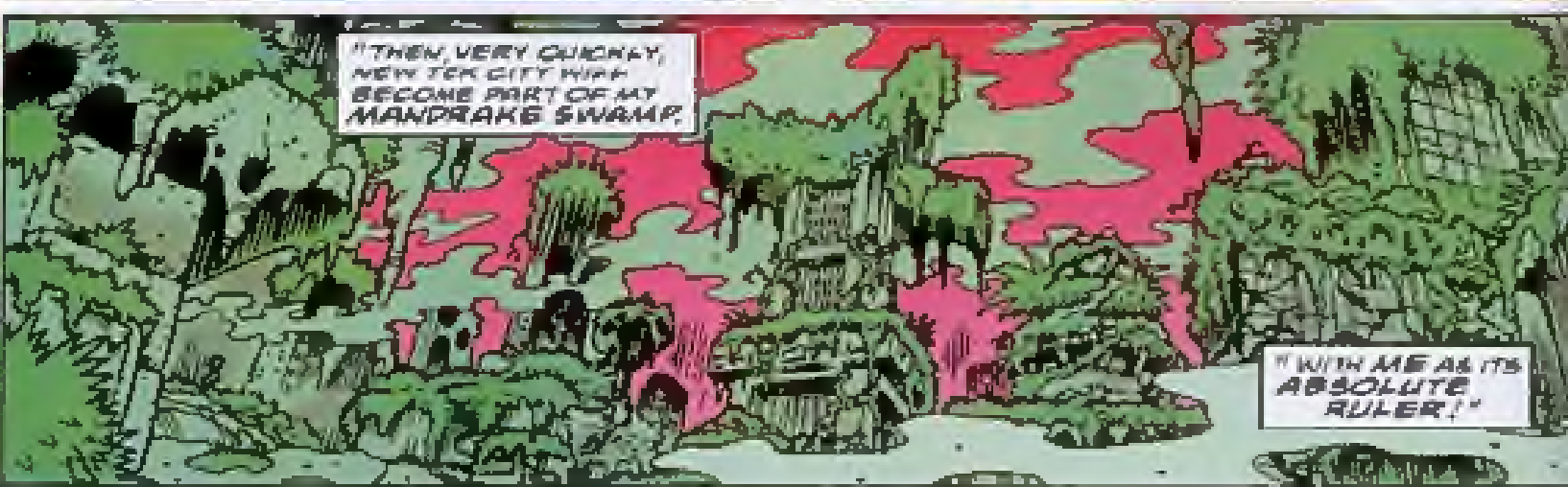
ALTER IT? HOW?



YOU WILL EACH TAKE A VIAL TO FIVE DIFFERENT DISTRICTS OF NEW TEK CITY.



THERE YOU WILL EMPTY THE CONTENTS INTO THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEMS.



"THEN, VERY QUICKLY, NEW TEK CITY WILL BECOME PART OF MY MANDRAKE SWAMP."

"WITH ME AS ITS ABSOLUTE RULER!"

SO THAT'S WHAT BLOCKHEAD BILL WAS UP TO! ALTHOUGH HE WAS SO STUPID, HE COULDN'T GET IT RIGHT!

HEY, ARE YOU INSULTING ME?

OF COURSE HE IS, DEAR BOY!



FORGET IT, ROOT! YOUR INSANE PLAN ENDS HERE!

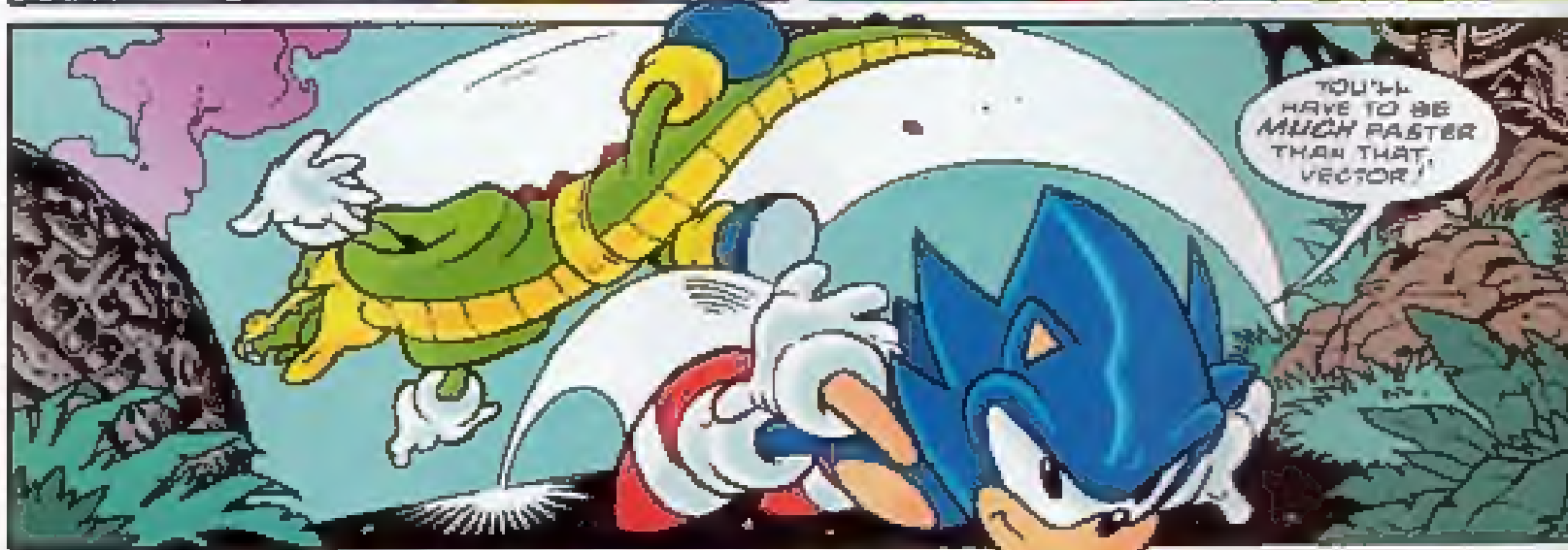
I DON'T THINK SO, SONIC. CHAOTIX, RESTRAIN THE HEDGEHOGS WHILE I ATTACH THE MIND ROOT.

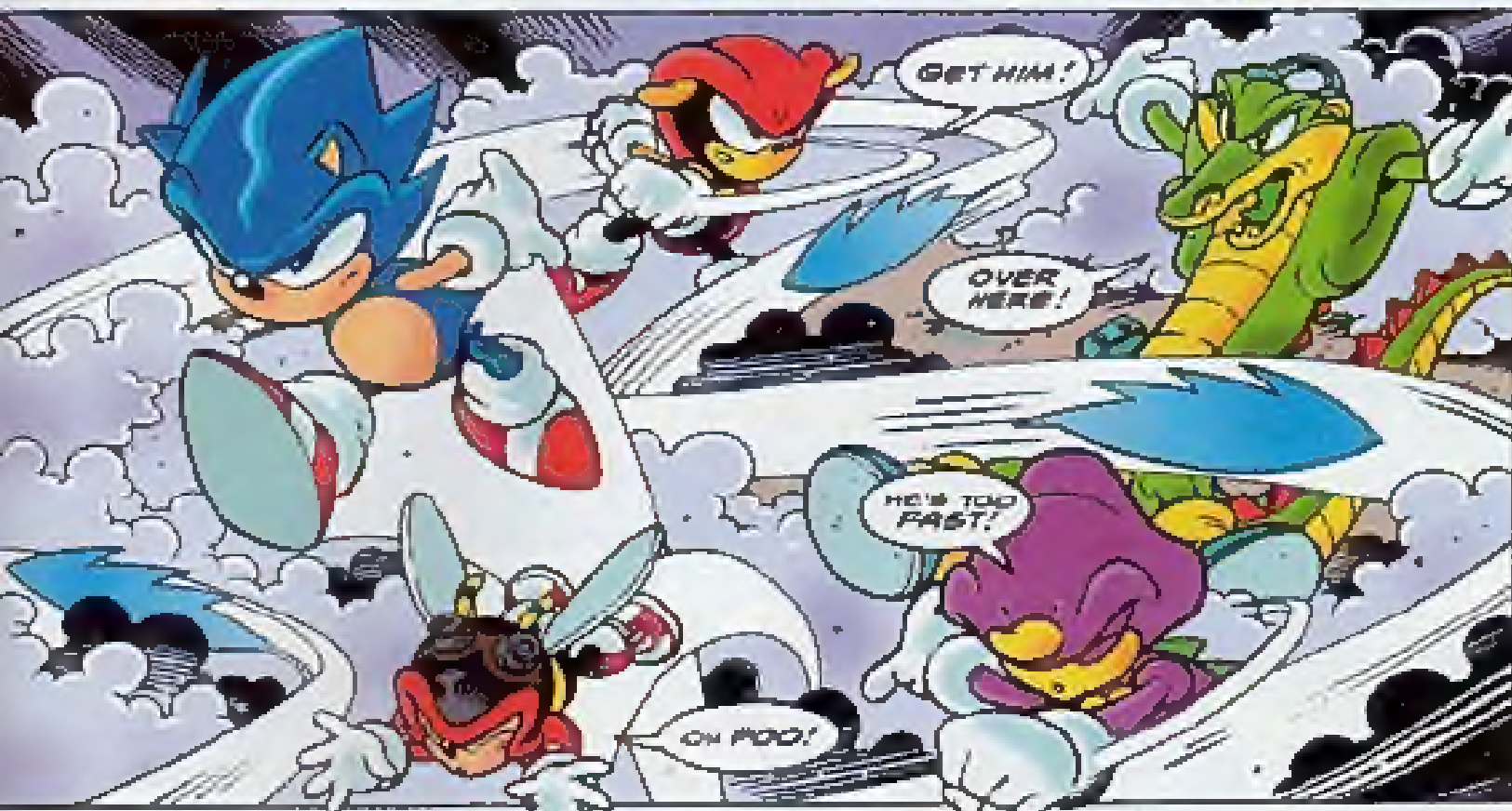
COME ON, GUYS, FIGHT IT! DON'T LET ROOT CONTROL YOU!



YEAH, I KNOW IT'S WRONG, BUT I JUST DON'T SEEM TO CARE!

CAN'T BE DONE, SONIC! WE WANT TO OBEY HIM!





NEXT ISSUE: SONIC VS CHAOTIK!

DEEP WITHIN THE FLOATING ISLAND, AN ANGRY ECHIDNA STALKS THE ANCIENT TUNNEL SYSTEM.

KNUCKLES IS NOT HAVING A GOOD DAY!



THE TAKE-OVER

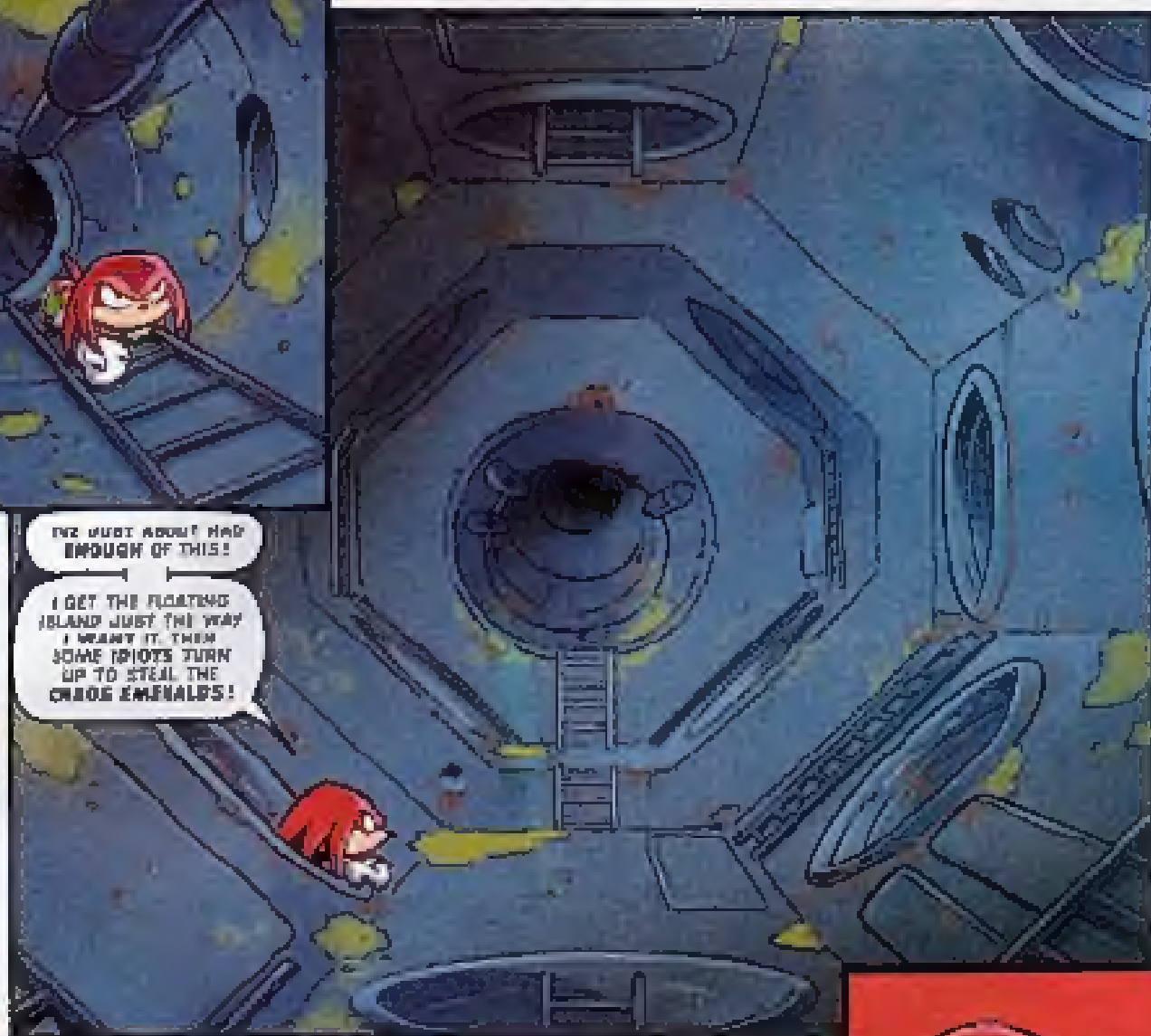
KNUCKLES

Script: NIGEL KITCHING • Art: NIGEL BOBBY • Lettering: TOM FRANK



THE MUST ABOUT HAD ENOUGH OF THIS!

I GET THE FLOATING ISLAND JUST THE WAY I WANT IT. THEN SOME IDIOTS TURN UP TO STEAL THE CHAOS EMERALDS!



THEY BREAK THROUGH ALL THE ISLAND'S DEFENCES AS IF THEY WEREN'T THERE, AND ACT LIKE THEY OWN THE PLACE!



WELL WHEN I GIT THROUGH WITH THEM THEY'LL WISH THEY'D NEVER HEARD OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS!



RESEARCHING ON THE SUBJECT OF THE FLUORINO
ISLAND AND ALPHA, MR. BETA, MR. GAMMA AND MR.
DELTA HAVE IDENTIFIED A SLIGHT PROBLEM.

THE BLANDS ROBOT
GUARDIANS!

DO NOT MOVE YOU
MAY BE WARNED.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM, MR.
DELTA? YOU SAID YOU COULD
DEAL WITH THE ROBOTS!

FAZZ-ZAKK!

I'M WORKING
ON IT. I JUST
NEED A FEW
SECONDS.

MR. BETA,
BUY US SOME
TIME!
RIGHT?

TIME'S UP,
MR. DELTA!
I WANT YOUR
ANSWER,
NOW!

AM I SCANNING THE
ROBOTS' FREQUENCY
RIGHT NOW? GET
IT? SET YOUR
CHANN. ION CIRCUITS
TO 275!

YOU WERE WARNED!
NOW WE MUST TAKE
DIRECT ACTION!

SWAKK!



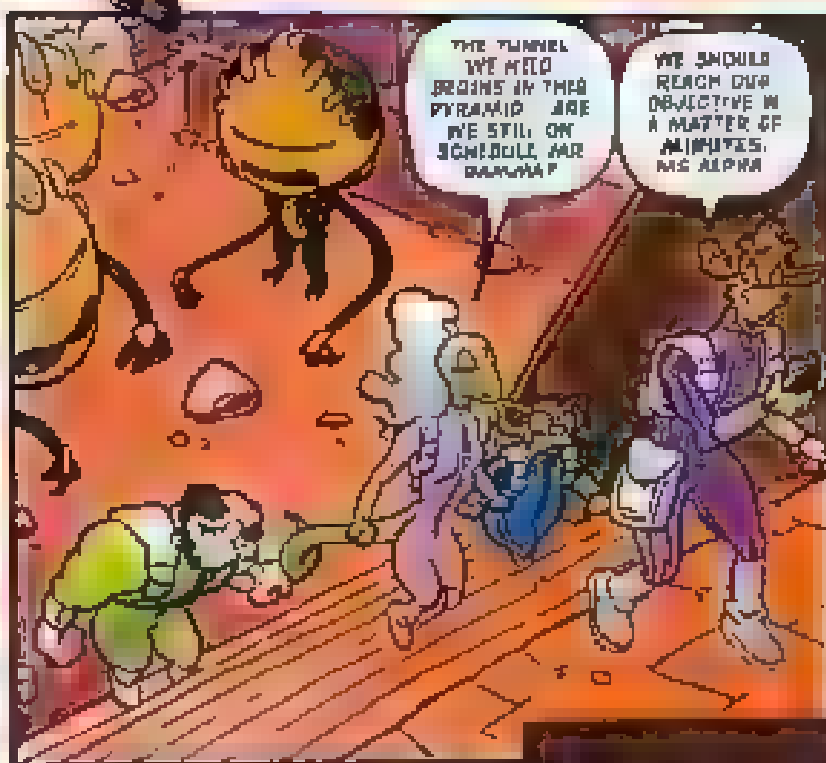
INTRUDERS HAVE ESCAPED. SENSORS SHOW NO SIGN OF THEM.

I WORRIED! THE CHAMELION CIRCUITS MEAN THE ROBOTS CAN'T SEE OR HEAR US!



MY DEVICES ALWAYS WORK. MP DUNN!

WE CAN CONGRATULATE OURSELVES LATER. RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!



THE TUNNEL WE HED BOGINS IN THIS PYRAMID ARE WE STILL ON SCHEDULE, MR DUNN?

WE SHOULD REACH OUR OBJECTIVE IN A MATTER OF MINUTES. MR ALPHA



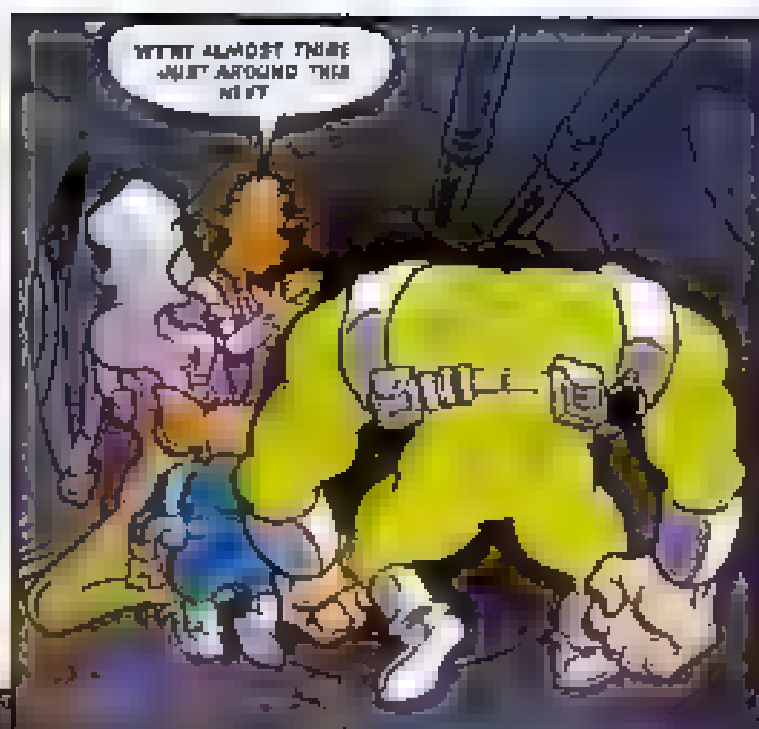
IN THE EMERALD CHAMBER, PORKER LEWIS HAS SEEN EVERYTHING

THEY. THEY BEAT THE ROBOTS. AND NOW THEY'RE HIDING HERE ON DIAL. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO PROTECT THE CHAOS EMERALDS ON MY OWN!



IF ONLY KNUCKLES WERE HERE!





BUT THE TIME, DAAAA OYATTA, I'M READY FOR YOU!



KER-WHAKK!

SEE WHAT I MEANT?



MR DAAAA, I SUGGEST USING THE COLLAR.



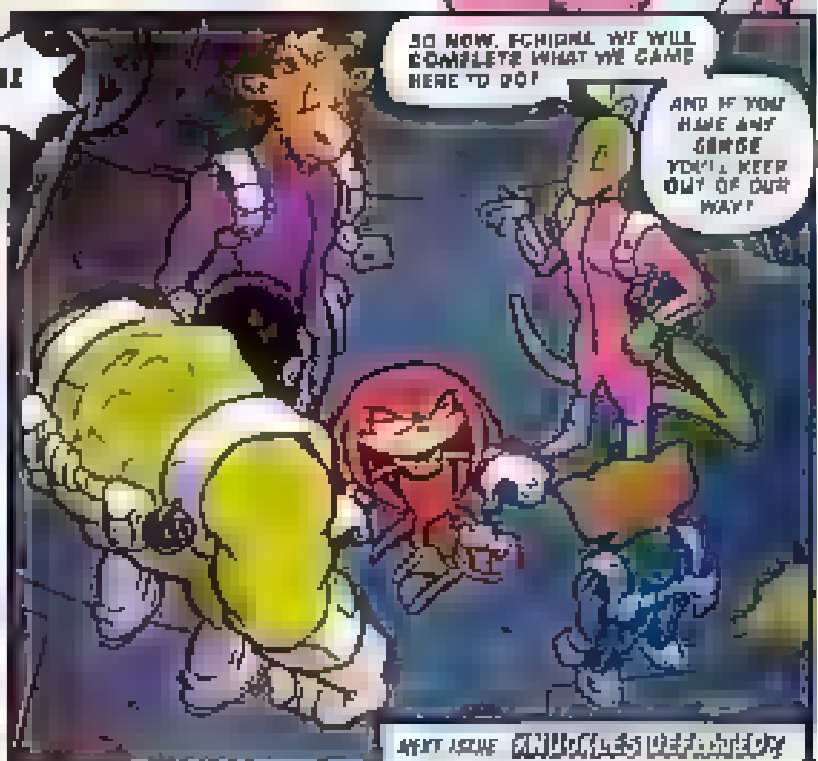
NOW WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?



WILL YOU DO ASK.



AAAAAAGH!



SO NOW, ECHIDNA, WE WILL COMPLETE WHAT WE CAME HERE TO DO!

AND IF YOU HAVE ANY SENSE YOU'LL KEEP OUT OF OUR WAY!

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SEGA POWER

KEEP ON THE WATCH FOR THAT ALL IMPORTANT
POST DELIVERY. AS EACH ARTIST-HOME WHO
GETS THEIR WORK PRINTED IN SONIC THE COMIC
(STC) WILL RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG DIGITAL WATCH.

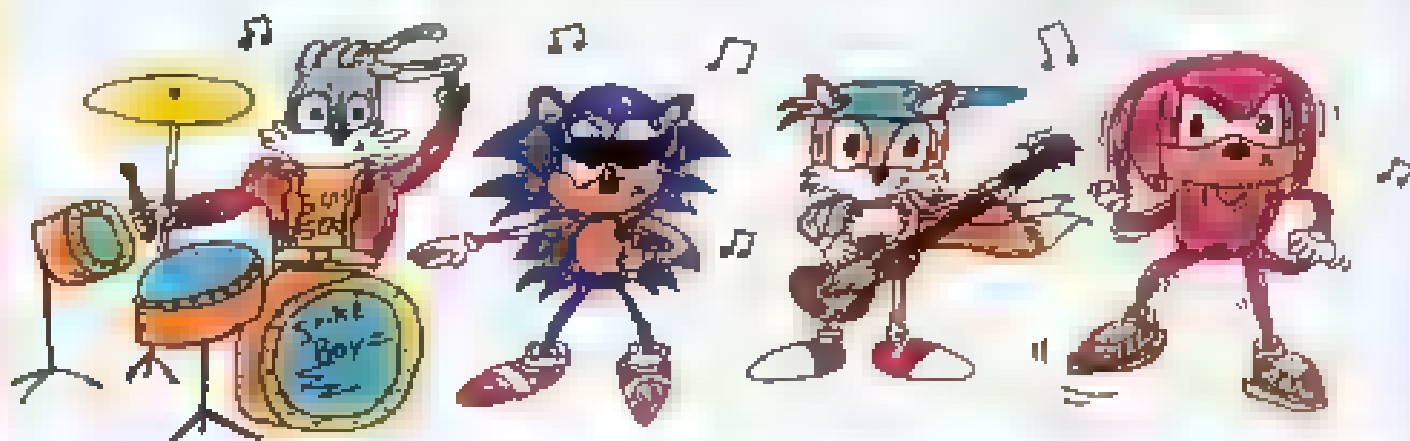
SPICE

GAIL MCCALL
Glasgow, Scotland.
G4 & M3 owner.
Sonic Digital
Watch Winner.



Stephen Lee,
Gwent, Wales.
M3 owner.
Sonic Digital
Watch Winner.

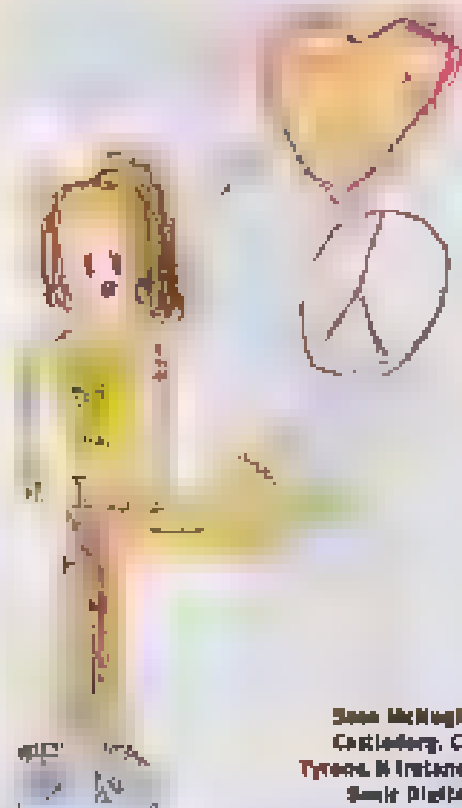
SPIKE BOYS



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West Derby,
Liverpool.
Comic Digital
Watch Winner.



Mary Nash,
Teeling
Broadway,
London.
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ON A HOT DAY, THE DALL DOLLIES FROM ASTRONAUTS.
A BREAKOUT IS THE PLACE

GET
HELP THE
PUPPETS ARE
LOOSE

DESTROY
ALL FLESHY
FOLK DOLLIES
RULE OK

DAY OF THE PUPPETS

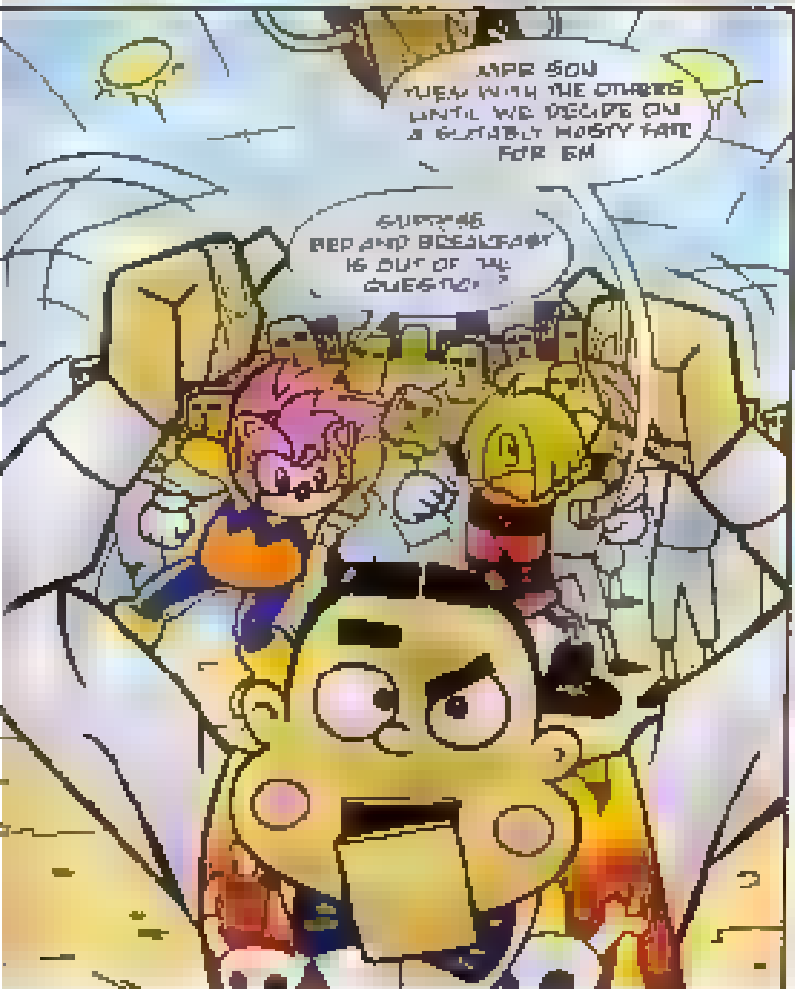
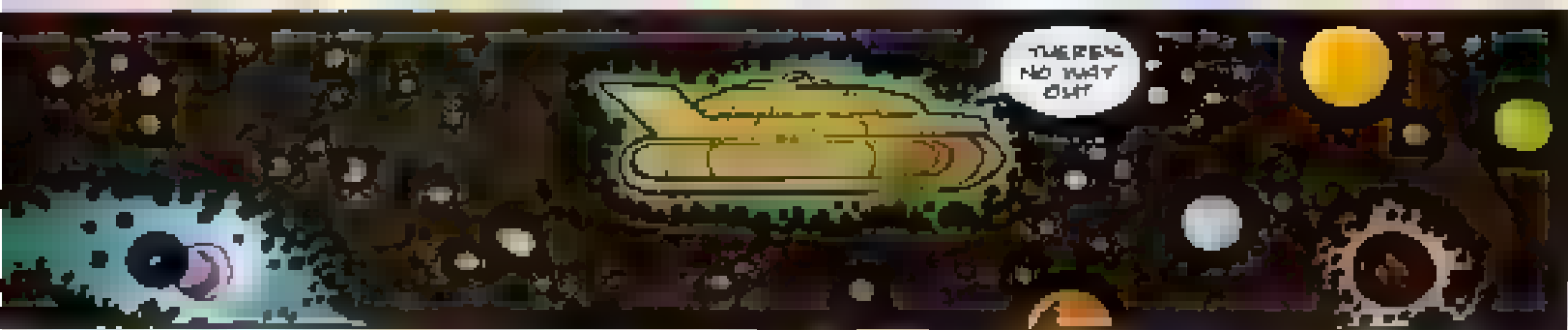
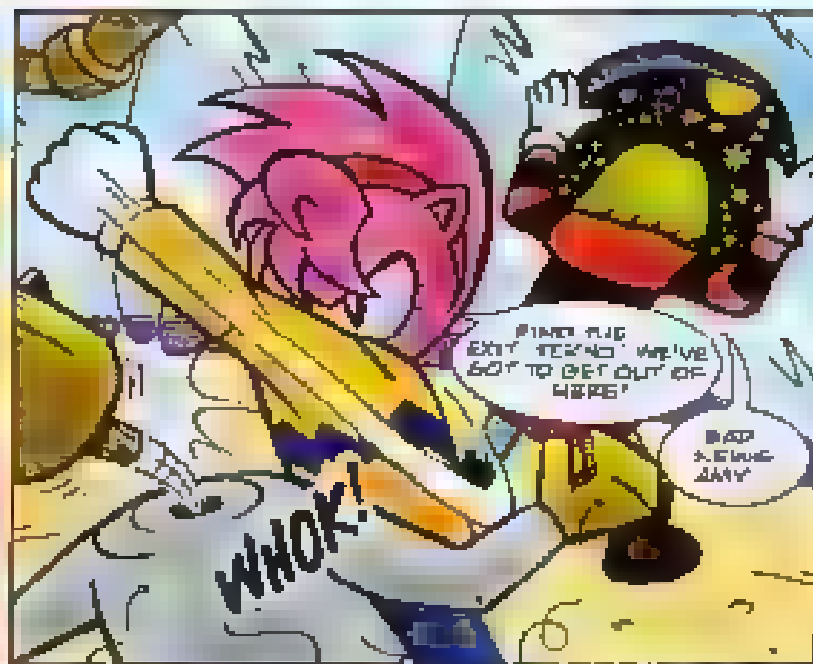
NOT THE BEST LITERATURE
FOR ANYONE READING IN THE
MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT

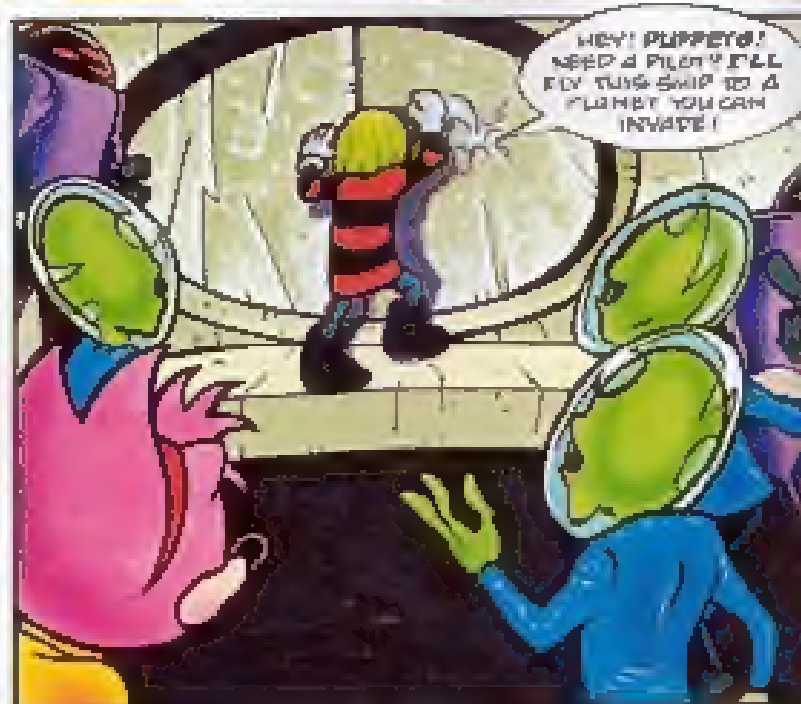
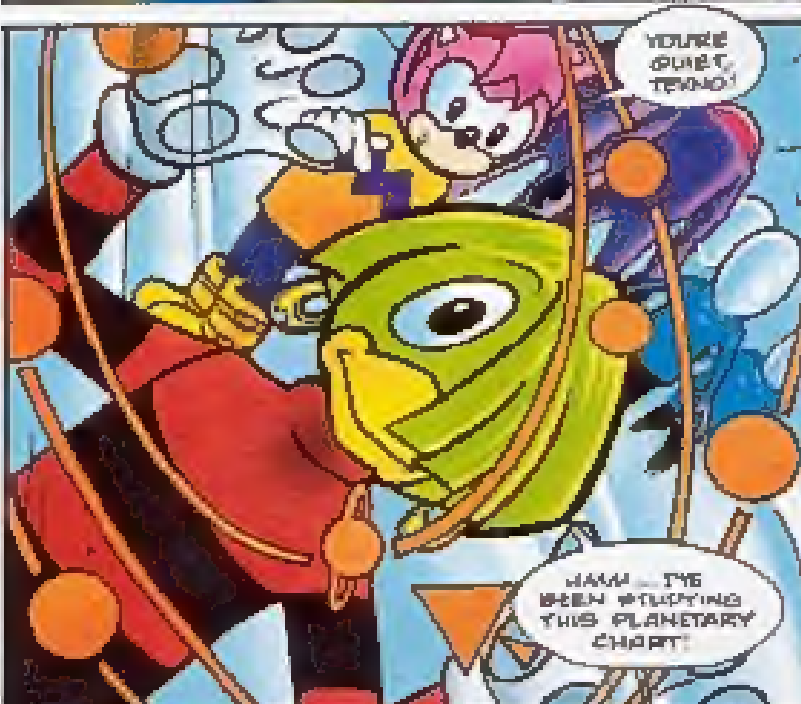
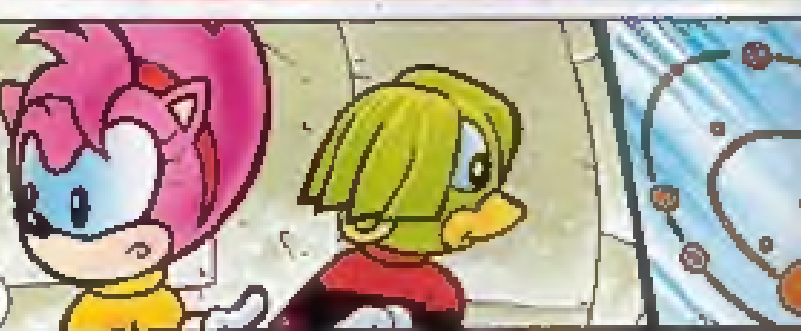
WHY
ARE WE THIS
TIMED

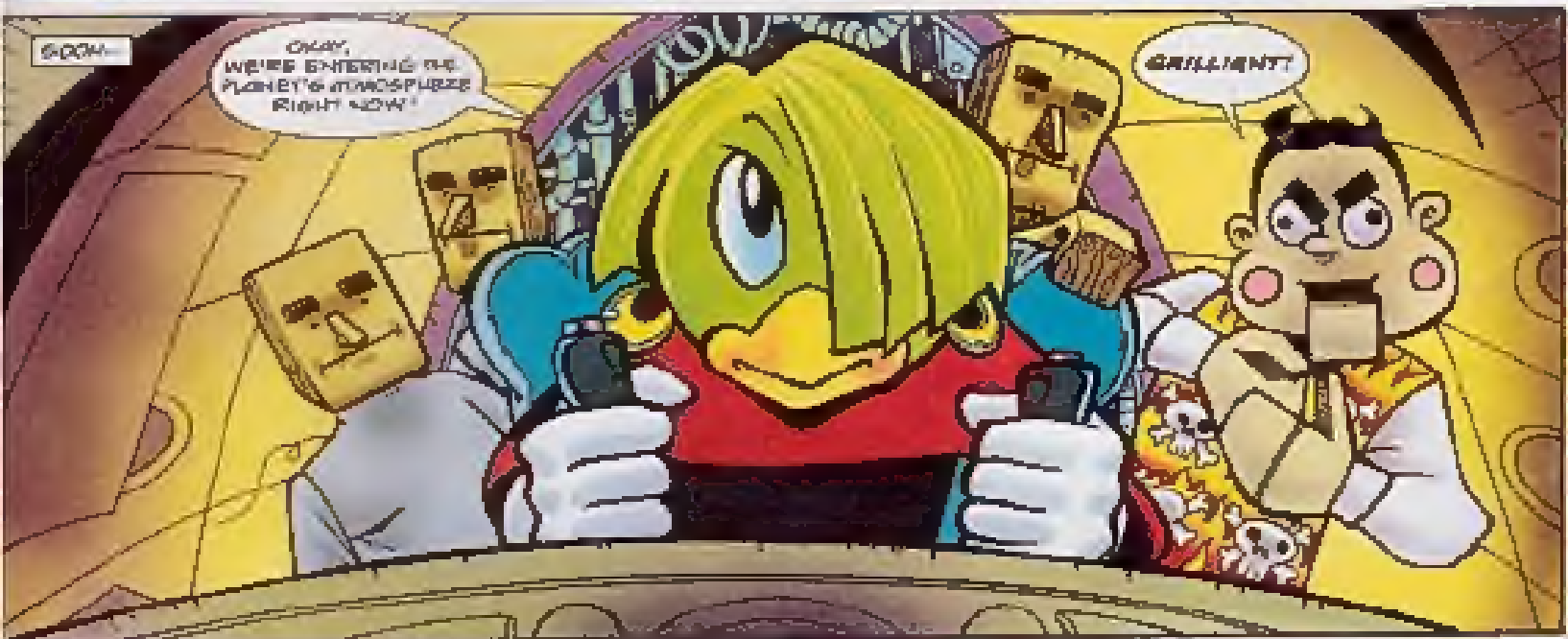
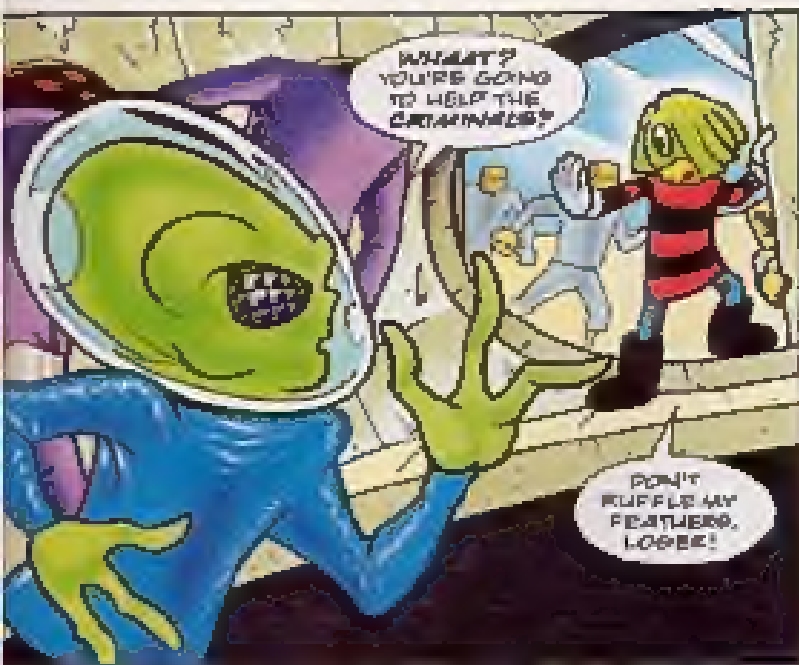
NO
DANGER AT
ALL

HOLD
ON TO
YOUR
HEADS

WE
WILL
BE
HERE
FOR
YOU



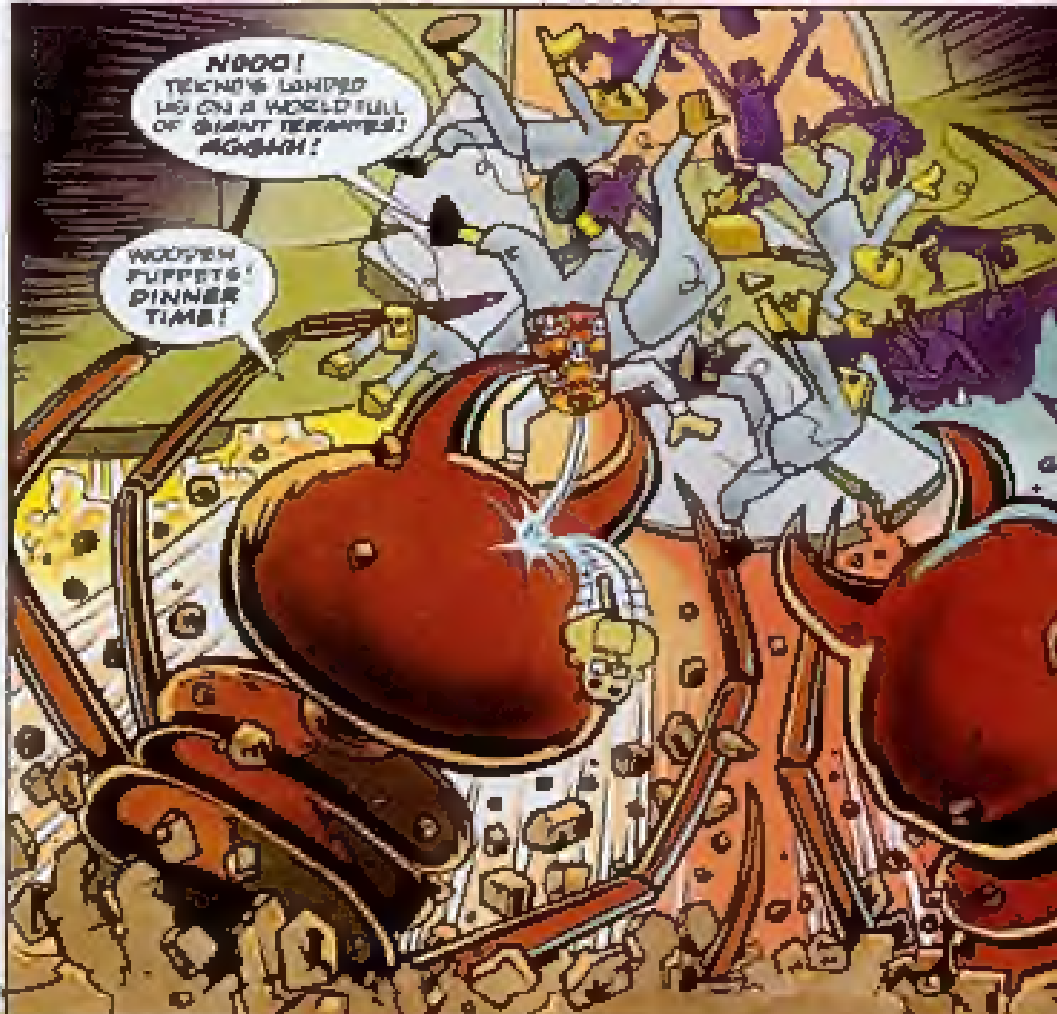






FORWARD
AND
PRETTY!

POWER
TO THE
PUPPETS!



NOOO!
TIKO'S LANDING
US ON A WORLD FULL
OF GIANT TERAPIES!
AGHHH!

WOODEN
PUPPETS!
DINNER
TIME!



I GUESS
THE PLANNIES' PLANS
HAVE BITTEN THE
DUST!

FORTUNATELY
I NOTICED PLANET
REMAINS ON THE
CHART EARLIER!



THANKS FOR
YOUR HELP! I'LL RADIO
TO BASE TO PICK US UP
AND... NEXT YOU'RE
MEETING!

WE'RE
ON COURSE FOR
OUR NEXT
DESTINATION!



AT LEAST
THERE WON'T BE
ANY EVIL PUPPETS
IN THE NEXT
WORLD!

TOUCH
WOOD!

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PRINTED IN
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LIFE SAVER

Dear STC,

I'm obsessed with art and I draw anything and everything and since a certain game was released years ago, I've made drawing Sonic and co one of my specialities (I had intended to send you some artwork, but then I remembered those nightmare things called GCSE's!).

Anyway, I was wondering, why the change to some of the grip colouring on computer? It still looks good - I'm just curious! Also, any tips on how to draw Grimer as I'll be illustrating a friend's comic soon.

Lastly, congrats on keeping teenagers like myself sane for the past five years since I've had to put up with comprehensive school!

Abby (Long Term Fan).
Please send in name and address.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



The change to computer colouring came about as painted artwork can be much more time consuming.


Abby, Artist Richard Elson says that he imagines Grimer's head as a large triangle, with his cheekbones as inverted triangles. Another suggestion is that you "get into the mind of the character", so in Grimer's case, think like a lonely, slimy little wannabe and you're half-way there! You can pick up a few more tips in STC 139 which features 'Whatever Happened to Grimer'.

MIND YOUR LANGUAGE

Dear Megadroid,

I've been reading through old issues and discovered back in Issue 89, a viewpoint on swearing by Boomer Gavin Jackson.

Gavin commented that you don't print swearwords. Well, as most readers are kids like me, I would guess that you can't print them even if you wanted to! If parents find out that there's swearing in the comic, they might think that it's too violent, or they might even ban their child from buying it, and then STC would lose profit - so I say keep the bad words OUT!

 **Drew Smith,**
Longfield, Kent.
GG, MD & Saturn owner.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



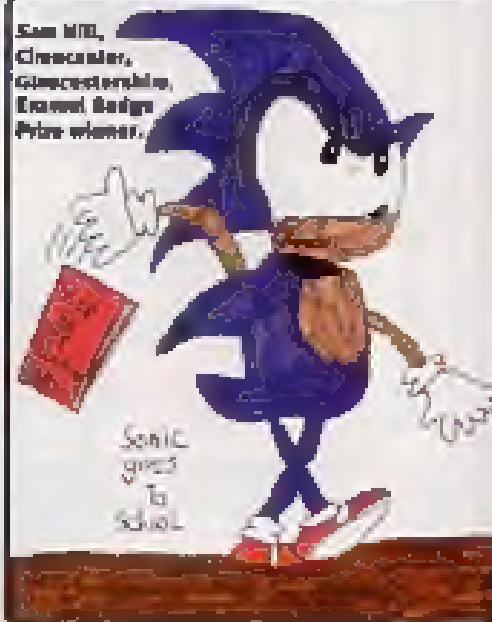
You may have noticed Drew, STC already turns the atmosphere a special shade of blue whenever Sonic appears!



Richard Ash,
King's Langley, Herts.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

Those holidays are gone, As most things in the sun!

Sam Hill,
Chesham,
Gloucestershire,
Enamel Badge
Prize winner.



Sonic goes to school

RIVAL PUBLICATION

Dear Megadroid,

A while ago my sister also started getting into STC as well. Because of this, I made my own version for her instead and charged her top a copy! So far I've made 66, for which she's very pleased with. Anyway, it's almost my comic's second anniversary issue and I'll send one to you for FREE. I have to sign off now as I want to finish my comic which is due on sale tomorrow! Bye!

John Laird,
Ceredigion, Wales.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



Very professional, John - but making a profit out of your own flesh and blood... That's something you'll never be able to do with me!

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